



General Assembly

February Session, 2012

Substitute Bill No. 5094

* ____HB05094TRA__040912__ *

AN ACT CONCERNING THE "MOVE OVER" LAW.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 14-283b of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2012*):

3 (a) For the purpose of this section "emergency vehicle" means any
4 vehicle with activated flashing lights (1) operated by a member of an
5 emergency medical service organization responding to an emergency
6 call, (2) operated by a fire department or by any officer of a fire
7 department responding to a fire or other emergency, (3) operated by a
8 police officer, (4) that is a maintenance vehicle, as defined in section 14-
9 1, or (5) that is a wrecker, as defined in section 14-1, "police officer" has
10 the meaning set forth in section 7-294a, and "highway" [means a state
11 or public highway with three] has the meaning set forth in section 14-1,
12 provided such highway has two or more travel lanes that proceed in
13 the same direction.

14 (b) Any operator of a motor vehicle on a highway when
15 approaching one or more stationary emergency vehicles located on the
16 shoulder, lane or breakdown lane of such highway shall (1)
17 immediately reduce speed to a reasonable level below the posted
18 speed limit, and (2) if traveling in the lane adjacent to the shoulder,
19 lane or breakdown lane containing such emergency vehicle, move such
20 motor vehicle over one lane, unless such movement would be
21 unreasonable or unsafe.

22 (c) [A violation of any provision of this section shall be] Any person
 23 who violates the provisions of subsection (b) of this section shall have
 24 committed an infraction, except that if [a violation of the provisions of
 25 subsection (a)] such violation results in the injury of the operator of an
 26 emergency vehicle, [the operator of the motor vehicle that caused such
 27 injury] such person shall be fined [in an amount not to exceed] not
 28 more than two thousand five hundred dollars [,] and, if such violation
 29 results in the death of the operator of an emergency vehicle, [the
 30 operator of the motor vehicle that caused such death] such person shall
 31 be fined [in an amount not to exceed] not more than ten thousand
 32 dollars.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2012	14-283b
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